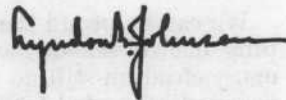


On the one hundred and eighty-ninth anniversary of his death, it is fitting that we commemorate General Pulaski for his devotion to our Nation, as a continuing example to all men who strive toward the goals of freedom and justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America do hereby designate Friday, October 11, 1968, as General Pulaski's Memorial Day; and I direct the appropriate Government officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on that day. I also invite the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies in schools, churches, and other suitable places.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



Proclamation 3863

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK, 1968

By the President of the United States of America

August 27, 1968

A Proclamation

Education—universal, equal, and excellent—is a goal which we have cherished since our country's birth.

In the last decade, however, we have sought to fulfill this goal with greater zeal, greater commitment, and greater success than at any period in our history.

We began with new laws, creating the legal authority to translate our vision of educational opportunity into reality. This year we celebrate the 10th anniversary of the first great new Federal education law, the National Defense Education Act.

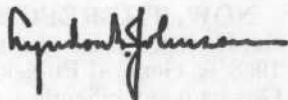
This historic law—and dozens which have followed it—has already had a profound effect on American life, and has increased immeasurably our most precious resource: the knowledge and understanding of our people.

To encourage and strengthen America's national fervor for education and to broaden support for America's schools and colleges, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the period of November 10 through November 16, 1968, as American Education Week.

It is my deep conviction that our noblest national task is to lead each citizen to fulfill his own potential. In the belief that our national strength derives from the strength of individual citizens, I call upon every American to work toward an even better educational system in America—a system which will truly deepen and enrich American thought, and truly ennoble life for every man.

72 Stat. 1580.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-seventh day of August in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



Proclamation 3864

"STAY IN SCHOOL"

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

We can be proud that the percentage of school-aged children dropping out of school has decreased steadily in recent years. But too many children still do not complete their high school education. This year, an estimated 800,000 youth will not return to their high school classrooms in the fall.

A high school education is no guarantee of success. But it is an important first step on the road to a fuller life. Unfortunately, those who are most economically disadvantaged are most likely to drop out of school. By doing so they cripple their capacity for escaping the cycle of poverty. The future of the nation itself is mortgaged to higher welfare and dependency costs—and to costly remedial measures that must repair the damage of early failures to stay in school.

While those who abandon their classrooms have much in common, their reasons for leaving are very individual. Our response must be equally personal. A parent, a teacher, a friend, a volunteer, can make all the difference to a lonely or frustrated young person. Schools themselves must make every effort to encourage regular attendance—by making the classroom experience as relevant and interesting to their students as possible.

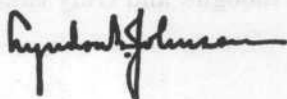
To emphasize the importance of this task, I, LYNDON B. JOHNSON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim a national "Stay in School" campaign.

I call upon the American people to make this campaign successful by ensuring that the schools in their communities are responsive to the needs of all their young people.

I ask young and old alike to participate personally in this campaign through their schools, their organizations, their local governments.

Whenever any one of us is in a position to help a youngster to stay in school—through individual counsel, encouragement and assistance—I most earnestly urge him to do so.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-third.



August 30, 1968